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### GEORGIA MILITIA OFFICER KILLED BY A WOMAN

Capt. E. J. Spratling, Georgia National Guard, Shot by Mrs. H. C. Adams. "You Have Ruined My Home," Declares Woman as She Fires Fatal Shot.

Macon, August 25.—Capt. Edgar J. Spratling, 47, of Company F, 5th regiment, Georgia National Guard, was shot and killed while under the fly of his tent at the mess hour this noon by Mrs. H. C. Adams, 30, of Atlanta.

"You have ruined my home," Mrs. Adams is said to have exclaimed as she pulled the trigger of her pistol, according to Lieut. A. A. Kyser, who was standing nearby. The bullet entered the captain's body just below the neck, severing the jugular vein. He reeled backward and fell over a guy rope. A second bullet that was fired entered the captain's mouth.

**Disarmed Woman.**

Lieut. Samuel A. Kyser, of Capt. Spratling's company, grasped the woman's arm and disarmed her.

Major Wheeler, of the 2nd regiment; Major Harrold, brigade surgeon; Lieut. Wynn, surgeon of the 2nd regiment; and Chaplain Moore, were less than fifty feet away when the shots were fired. They rushed to the side of the wounded officer, but Capt. Spratling was dead when they reached him. The flag over brigade headquarters was half-masted at 12:35 P. M.

**Killing Premeditated.**

Later developments indicate, officers assert, that the killing was premeditated. Her husband was at work in a laundry when she left Atlanta and her three children were left at home.

Mrs. Adams arrived here at 10 o'clock this morning over the Southern Railway. It was her first visit to Macon. She inquired of a private whom she saw on the station platform how she could reach the mobilization camp. He directed her.

**Made Sure of the Man.**

Mrs. Adams made several inquiries of the soldiers at the camp as to where she could find Capt. Spratling. She was directed and finally reached his tent. "She had never seen him in a soldier's uniform before, she stated afterward, and made doubly sure that she was right, hence asked him if his name was Capt. Spratling. He replied in the affirmative.

The captain was seated at mess with Lieut. Kyser. He arose as she addressed him. According to Lieut. Kyser she said, "Captain, you have ruined my home." Without uttering another word the woman drew a pistol that she had secreted in the folds of her dress and pulled the trigger as she levelled it at his head. The shooting was over in a flash. Lieut. Kyser was on his feet as the second shot was fired.

**Died in His Tent.**

Capt. Spratling crawled away from the guy rope under the tent, where he died, his head being propped on one elbow.

To guards who were detailed to watch the woman, Mrs. Adams remarked:

"Take me away; this is embarrassing to a woman."

Brig. Gen. Walter A. Harris requested the sheriff to take charge of Mrs. Adams. When the deputies arrived the woman asked for a drink of water. She was given a glass and swallowed the contents. Then she spryly climbed into an automobile as coolly as if nothing had happened, and was driven to the county jail, where she was booked on a charge of murder.

Her nerves were still collected when she reached the jail. She asked for a piece of paper and pencil and wrote the following message, which was sent:

"H. C. Adams, Piedmont Laundry, Atlanta, Ga.

"Daddy: I am in jail. Do what you can.

"(Signed) Of Fine Figure. Mattie."

Mrs. Adams is of fine figure, with brown hair and was well dressed. She attracted no more attention than the thousands of other visitors who go to Camp Harris. Officers and men who saw her as she approached Capt. Spratling's tent, say that her conduct did not excite suspicion.

Not until several hours after the shooting did the seriousness of her crime dawn upon Mrs. Adams. She became hysterical in her cell at the county jail and called for her husband repeatedly. He is expected here during the night.

**Talked Freely.**

In the jail tonight Mrs. Adams talked freely of her reasons with Capt. Spratling. She said that she would tell more after her husband arrived.

"Capt. Spratling was our family physician and a smooth man," she said. I cannot tell all. The only thing that I regret is that I did not tell my husband sooner. After I did tell my husband he walked the floor nights and seemed nearly crazy. I decided that there wasn't but one thing for me to do, and I did it.

"When the testimony comes out I feel sure that the public will be with me. I am confident that I will go free."

### ADVANCED PRICES FEATURED MARKET

**Buying Movement Developed Last Week on Account of Small Crop Talk**

New Orleans, Aug. 27.—The heaviest trading and widest advances in months and the highest prices in about seven years returned the local cotton market last week. A general buying movement developed on small crop talk, and a large short interest was driven to cover. Beginning with the opening of the week, the market made new high levels for the season and for several seasons past on every session, even including Saturday, when prices were held within bounds by the general disposition to take profits on long contracts.

At the highest of the week trading months prices were 140 to 146 points over the previous weeks final quotations.

The week closed at a net gain of 135 to 138 points. The March option was sent to 15.91 and all new crop months traded over the 15c level. Spots advanced 118 points, or more than \$5 a bale, to 15.31 for middling.

The confined drought in Oklahoma and bullish forecasts of the forthcoming condition government report, were surface features which stimulated buying to a considerable extent. The strength of the Liverpool market was a continual source of encouragement to bullish traders on this side of the water, but the main idea back of the buying movement was that the crop now coming to maturity will not be large enough to supply the wants of the world even should the war continue.

### PEARY BELIEVES IN CROCKER LAND

**Still Thinks That He Discovered It. May Not Be Exactly Where He Reported, but Is Probably In That Neighborhood.**

New York, Aug. 20.—Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary reiterates his confidence in the existence of Crocker land and his belief that he saw it in July, 1906. The admiral's statement, telegraphed to The Tribune from his summer place in Maine, was called forth by the fact that Ensign Fitzhugh Green, the naval officer assigned to the MacMillan Crocker land Arctic expedition, made no report of whether the expedition found Crocker land in announcing to the naval department his safe arrival at Copenhagen on August 19.

After quoting from his original narrative of the expedition his story of the first view of what he believed to be Crocker land, Admiral Peary said:

"It may be that MacMillan and I were both misled by the nearly permanent clouds of condensation over persistent lanes of water. Or unusual refraction which occurs in the Arctic regions may have lifted into view land that was in reality well below horizon and my estimate of the distance of Crocker and may have been too moderate. It will be well to await the completion of Stefansson's discoveries before dismissing Crocker land."

### CHARGE FRENCHMEN WITH CRUEL DEEDS

**Germans Complain Bitterly of Cleaning Out of Trenches by Special Squads.**

Berlin, Aug. 26.—The charge that the French have an organized force whose duty it is to exterminate all the Germans found in captured trenches is made in a statement issued today by the Overseas News agency as follows:

"The French some time ago introduced a new fighting system which is the most cowardly and flagrant violation of the laws of war developed up to this time. Coincident reports confirm the fact, not known until now, that within companies special detachments have been formed with express orders to remain behind in captured trenches and exterminate all Germans yet alive. These troops are called 'nettoyeurs' (cleaners or sweepers). Their equipment is not the rifle, cartridges and bayonet of other soldiers, but the revolver, knife and hand grenade.

"When the French storming column succeeds in crossing a trench the 'nettoyeurs' enter and start the work of cleaning the trenches of all the living. Hand grenades are thrown into the dugouts, where there are often wounded men. Those who escape from the hand grenades are killed by revolver and knife when they attempt to come out. This terrible slaughter is continued from man to man. Every man, whether wounded or not, whether armed or not, is mercilessly stabbed or shot."

"I am confident that I will go free."

The body of Capt. Spratling was prepared for burial at an undertaking establishment here late today and will be taken to Atlanta under a military escort as soon as the coroner's inquest is held.



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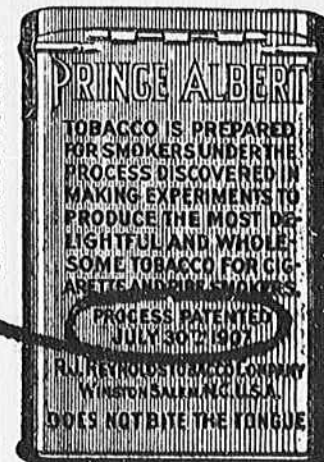
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